<u>REMARKS</u>

In the Office Action of March 31, 2004, claims 1-12 and 14-23 were

presented for examination. Applicants have submitted an amendment herein to cancel

claims 14-23, without prejudice. Accordingly, applicants submit that the application is

now in a condition for allowance.

If there are any charges due with respect to this Amendment or otherwise,

please charge them to Deposit Account No. 06-1130.

Respectfully submitted,

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